

Interview Summary

Application No.
09/703,269

Applicant(s)
Sweeney et al

Examiner
George L. Walton

Art Unit
3753



All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Mr. Timothy E. Bianchi - Attorney

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(2) Mr. George L. Walton - Examiner

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Date of Interview Aug 26, 2003

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal (copy is given to 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No. If yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: 1 and 23

Identification of prior art discussed:

1) 5,265,617, 2) 5,560,369, 3) 5,701,906, 4) 5,755,739, 5) 5,792,066, 6) 6,108,577, 7) 6,266,554 B1, 8) WO 00/47278, and 9) WO 99/65570.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

In view of the interview, the above prior art were discussed and would be further reviewed by the examiner to make sure that the above claims, 1 and 23, prevail over the above prior art. Note that the allowance of this application will be held in abeyance, pending further review of the above prior art. After such review, should the claims be allowable, a reason for allowance will be given. If they are not allowable, the examiner will contact the attorney with his reasons and try to come up with language in an attempt to properly place the application in condition for allowance.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

Examiner's signature, if required